SRP at the unveiling of the marker:

Just as the Wurts brothers made it known to the world that they had faith in themselves and in the future by establishing in the wilderness in the early nineteenth century the village of Carbondale,

Just as the citizens of Carbondale in 1851 made it known to the world that that had faith in themselves and in Carbondale and in the future of the city of Carbondale by incorporating themselves as a city,

Just as the citizens of Carbondale in 1852, 1859, and 1892 made it known to the world that they had faith in themselves and in the city of Carbondale and in the future of the city of Carbondale by erecting Carbondale City Hall I, Carbondale City Hall II, Carbondale City Hall III,

So too, we, the citizens of Carbondale, 1982, will now make it known to the world that we have faith in ourselves and in the city of Carbondale and in the future of the city of Carbondale. We will do so by re-dedicating this Carbondale historical marker here beside Carbondale City Hall, at the heart of our beloved city.

In re-dedicating this historical marker, let us not forget the man whose idea it was that historical markers such as this one be erected throughout the Commonwealth, Thomas F. Murphy.

In re-dedicating this historical marker, it is important for us to recognize that in so doing we are defending a credo, a way of life, a system of beliefs.

In re-dedicating this historical marker, it is important for us to recognize that what we do here today we do because we are concerned with human life and the quality of human life in Carbondale.

In re-dedicating this historical marker, it is important for us to acknowledge that what we do here today will have important consequences for generation upon generation of Carbondaleans as yet unborn, that what we do here we do for the city of Carbondale and for the future of the city of Carbondale.

We do so because we are filled with civic pride.

Without further ado, therefore, let us unveil now this Carbondale historical marker.

To unveil this marker, I would like to request the assistance of two of Carbondale's truly outstanding citizens. One of these two citizens was born during the final years of the nineteenth century. She was born only three years after Carbondale City Hall was completed in 1894. For twenty years she taught in the public schools of Carbondale. In her lifetime, she has done more good for the city of Carbondale than any ten people you could name. She is Miss Edith Gardner. The other citizen of Carbondale whose assistance I would like to request in unveiling this Carbondale historical marker was born in 1965. In his seventeen years, he has done more good for the city of Carbondale than most of us do in a lifetime. He is John Buberniak.

Miss Gardner. John.....